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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

in the application of : Mark Watson  
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Multi-homed Communications Network  
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**PETITION FOR FURTHER EXTENSION OF TIME**

Honorable Director of Patents and Trademarks  
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Dear Sir :

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136, the Applicant hereby petitions for a further extension of time of one month to respond to the Office Action mailed March 31, 2006. Response will therefore be timely filed with the Patent and Trademark Office no later than July 13, 2006.

The fee for a further extension of time is \$900 and is enclosed (the extension for the first month, of \$120.00 having been paid May 4, 2006).

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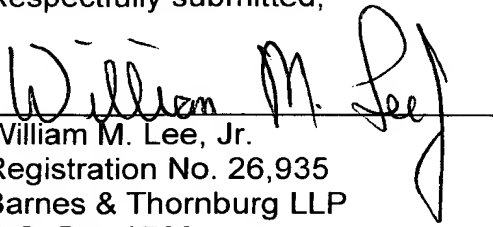
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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